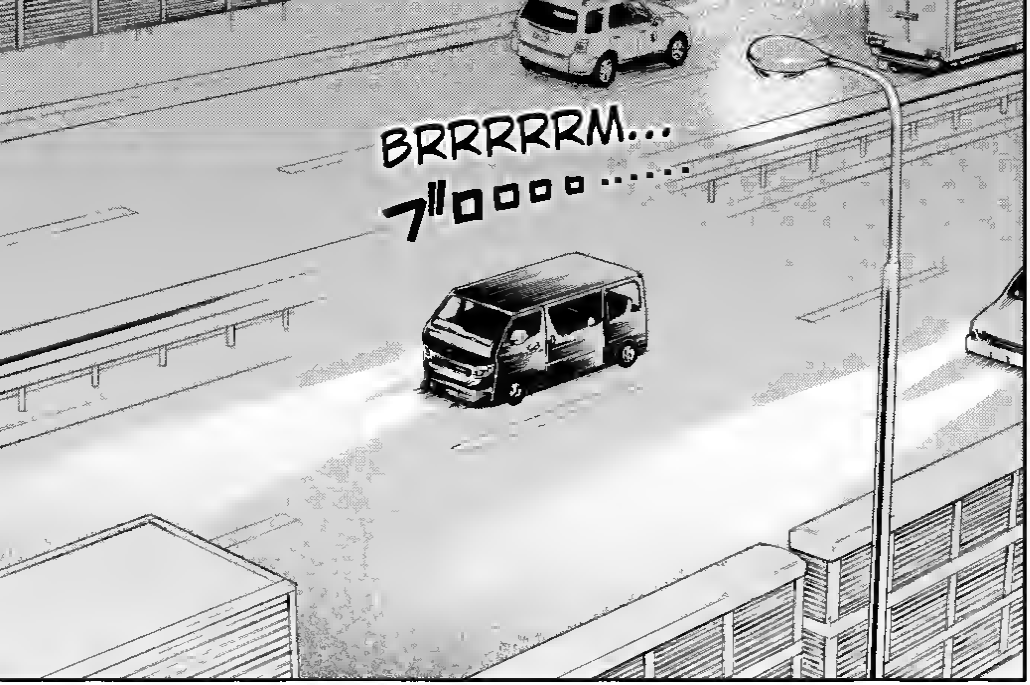
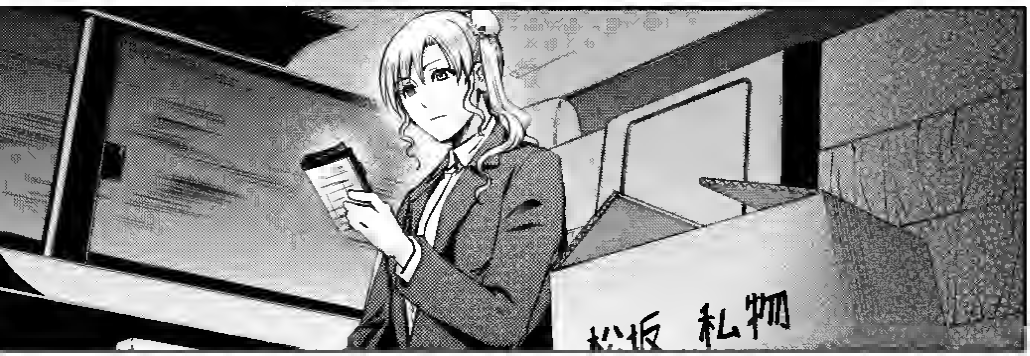


*BOX: MATSUZAKA PERSONAL ITEMS



HER BOY-FRIEND...

*AIRPORT

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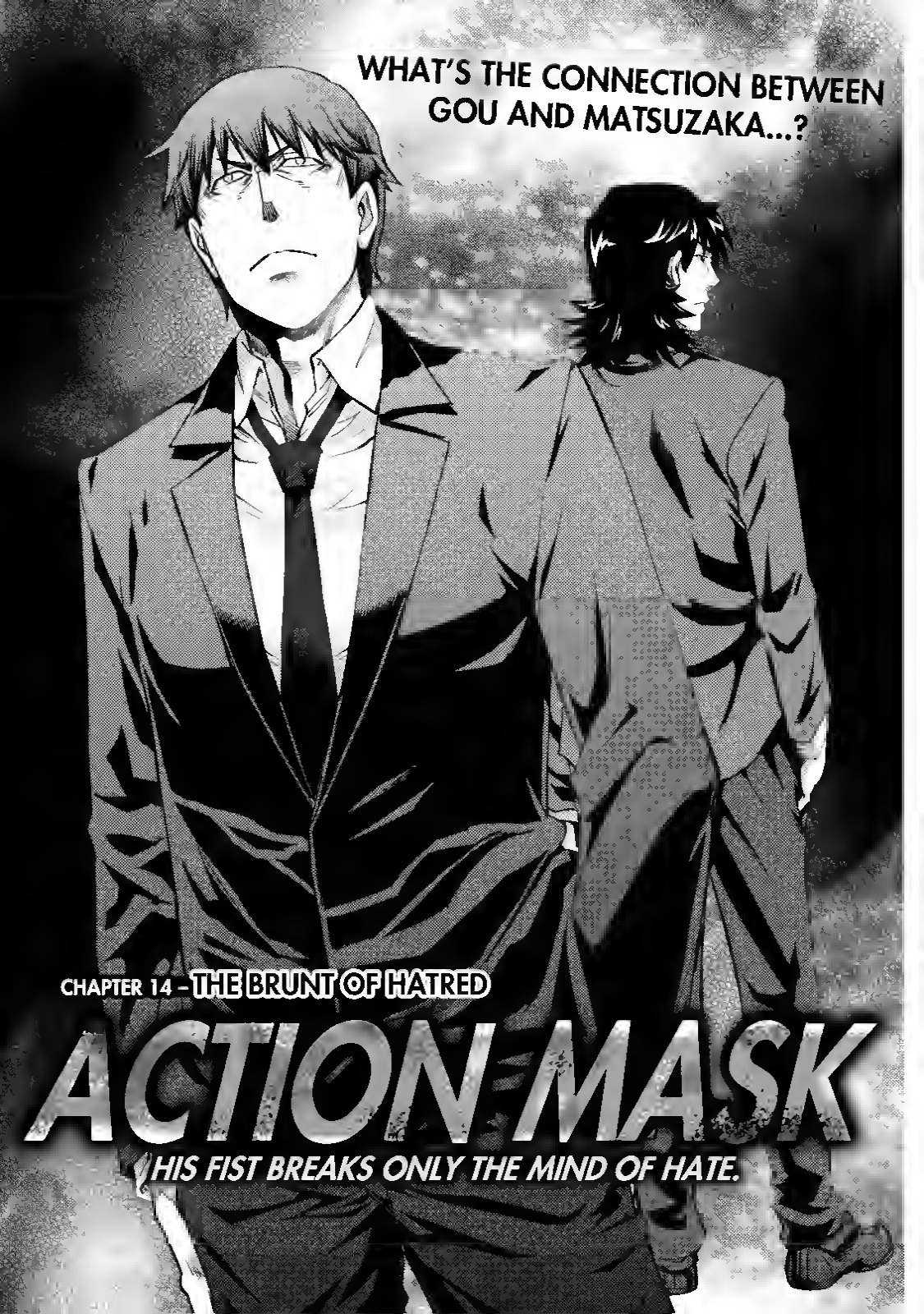
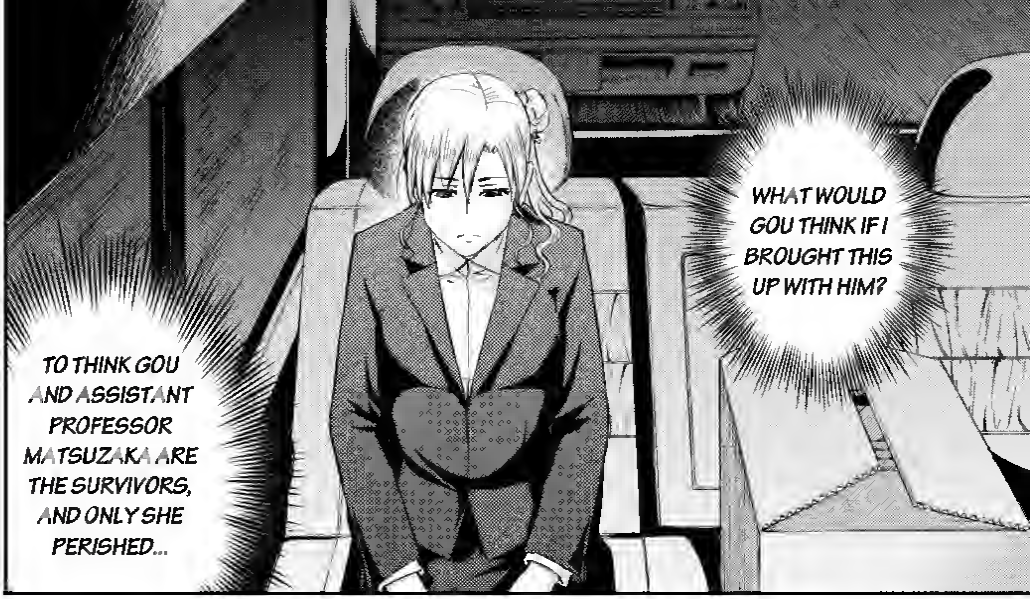
GASP

THEN GOU WAS AT...

THEN...
GOU WAS AT THE AIRPORT WHEN THE EXPLOSION HAPPENED THAT DAY, TOO!


WHAT'S THE CONNECTION BETWEEN GOU AND MATSUZAKA...?
CHAPTER 14 – THE BRUNT OF HATRED
ACTION MASK
HIS FIST BREAKS ONLY THE MIND OF HATE.


TO THINK GOU AND ASSISTANT PROFESSOR MATSUZAKA ARE THE SURVIVORS, AND ONLY SHE PERISHED...
WHAT WOULD GOU THINK IF I BROUGHT THIS UP WITH HIM?

IF THIS MEMORY RETURNS, THEN THE SEED INSIDE GOU MIGHT GERMINATE, AND THEN HE MIGHT BECOME TRULY "COMPLETE."

BUT MAYBE, ONE DAY...
... IF GOU'S MEMORY RETURNS, THEN THERE'LL BE NO SPACE IN HIS HEART FOR ME.

DIARY
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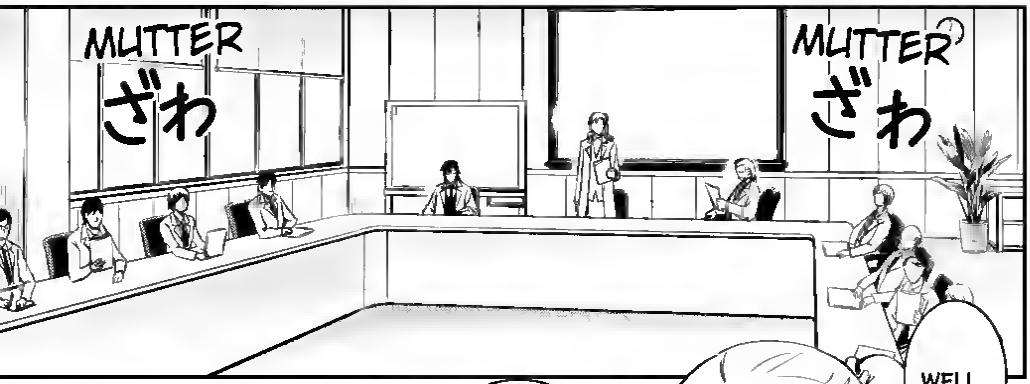
THE SECRET'S HIDDEN IN HERE...

SHFF...

*SIGN: MEETING ROOM 1



CURRENTLY, ASSISTANT PROFESSOR MATSUZAKA, WHO WE BELIEVE IS DARK MASK, IS REPORTED AS A VICTIM WHO DIED IN THE INCIDENT... BUT A BODY WAS NEVER FOUND.

YUAN NEWS
HATRED AS A MOTIVE
CRIMINAL BEHIND THE EXPLOSION ARRESTED
空港爆破犯逮捕
THE CRIMINAL EVENTUALLY ARRESTED IN THE CASE APPARENTLY WORKED ALONE ..
... AND CONFESSED THAT HE "WANTED TO RETALIATE FOR ALL THE CRAP HE HAD TO PUT UP AT WORK."
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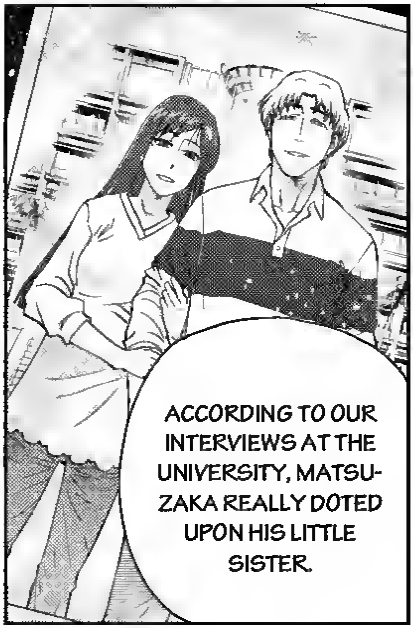
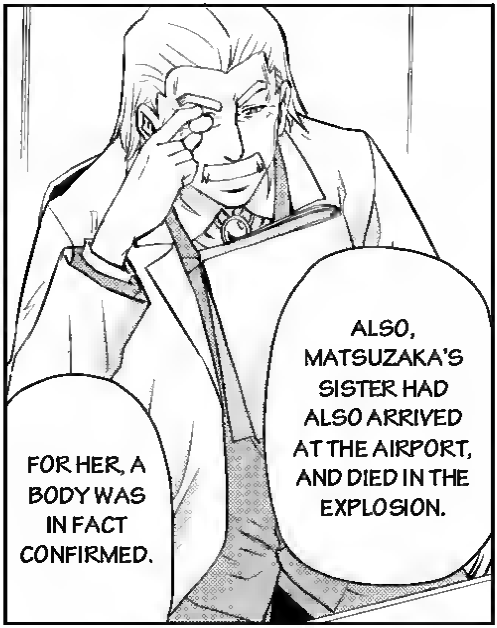

ACCORDING TO OUR INTERVIEWS AT THE UNIVERSITY, MATSUZAKA REALLY DOTED UPON HIS LITTLE SISTER.


FOR HER, A BODY WAS IN FACT CONFIRMED.
ALSO, MATSUZAKA'S SISTER HAD ALSO ARRIVED AT THE AIRPORT, AND DIED IN THE EXPLOSION.

THEN WE CAN THEORIZE THAT, IN THE MIDST OF THE CHAOS, MATSUZAKA-KUN SURVIVED AND IN THAT MOMENT BECAME THE DARK MASK.
I SEE.
PERHAPS. HOWEVER...
COULD THE DEATH OF THE SISTER HE DOTED ON TURN HIM INTO A MONSTER OF HATRED...?
...THE CRIMINAL BEHIND THIS EXPLOSION WAS CAUGHT QUICKLY, AND HAD BEEN PUNISHED AS WELL, SO...
...ASSISTANT PROFESSOR MATSUZAKA'S HATRED MAY NOT SIMPLY BE TOWARDS THE CRIMINAL HERE.

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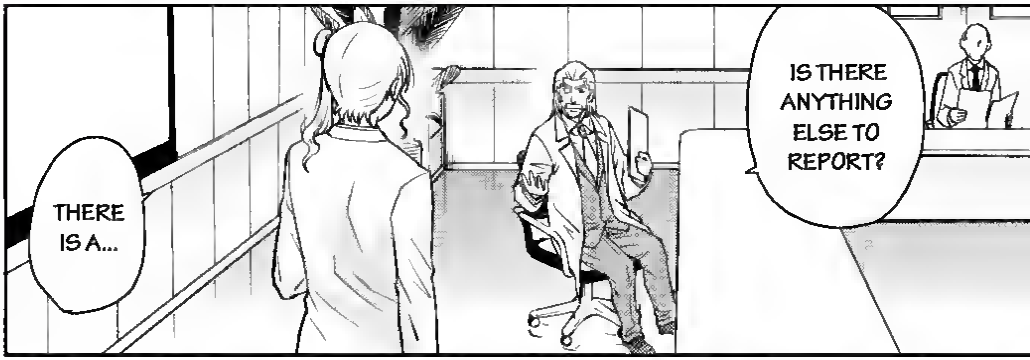
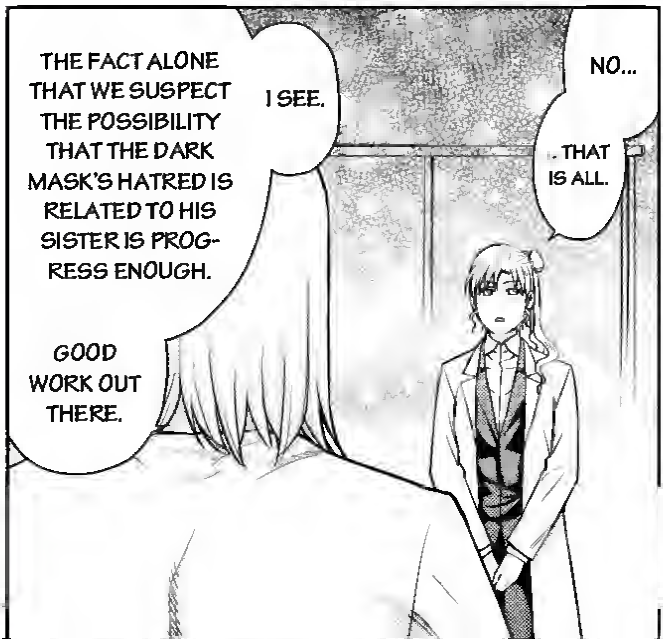
ALL RIGHT, LET'S WRAP IT UP AROUND HERE.

HRRM...


THERE IS A...
IS THERE ANYTHING ELSE TO REPORT?


THE FACT ALONE THAT WE SUSPECT THE POSSIBILITY THAT THE DARK MASK'S HATRED IS RELATED TO HIS SISTER IS PROG-RESS ENOUGH.
I SEE.
GOOD WORK OUT THERE.
NO...
. THAT IS ALL.

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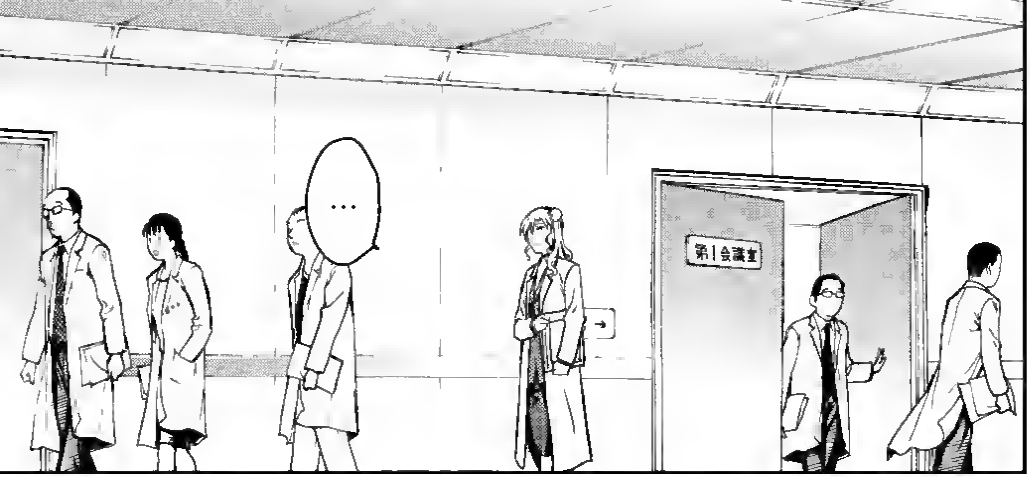
TWINGE...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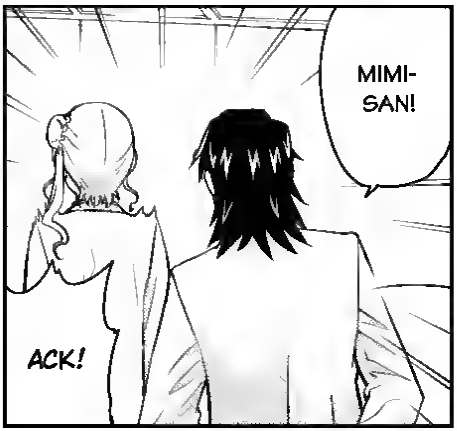
HA HA HA.
YOU JUST DON'T SEEM SO PEPPY, IS ALL.
SERIOUSLY, DON'T SNEAK UP ON ME LIKE THAT!


MIMI-SAN!
ACK!

YEAH, BUT...
...IT'S GREAT JUST THAT WE KNOW DARK MASK'S HUMAN IDENTITY, AND THAT HIS HATRED IS RELATED TO THE AIRPORT EXPLOSION.
AH...
THAT'S RIGHT.

ERM...
WHAT-EVER!
IT'S TOO BAD THAT WE COULDN'T FIGURE OUT WHERE DARK MASK IS LURK-ING, BUT...

WHA—?
APPARENTLY YOU'RE GOING TO THE MOVIES WITH GOU ONE OF THESE DAYS?
BY THE WAY, I HEARD A RUMOR, YOU KNOW.

*SIGN: RAMEN

IT'S NOT LIKE THAT AT ALL!

WHA—!
HOLD ON! WHO'D YOU HEAR THAT FROM?!
HA HA HA!
WELL, GOOD FOR YOU!

FLIP
ペラッ
NAW... I'M GOOD.
ANY QUESTIONS?
... AND THAT'S ALL OF TODAY'S REPORTS.
CREAK
キィ
NOPE.
SORRY, BUT MY MEMORY'S TOTALLY SHOT.
.....
DO YOU REMEMBER SEEING HIM?

HEH...
STOP THAT, ALREADY..
IT'S SO BAD, I DON'T EVEN KNOW WHO I REALLY AM.

...OH.
AND ONE MORE THING.
IT'S ABOUT MATSUZAKA'S SISTER...

NAW, THIS IS NOTHING.
I WAS JUST COMING AROUND ON THE WAY HOME.
THANKS, THOUGH.
I MEAN, FOR COMING ALL THE WAY OUT HERE.
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らぁめん 650
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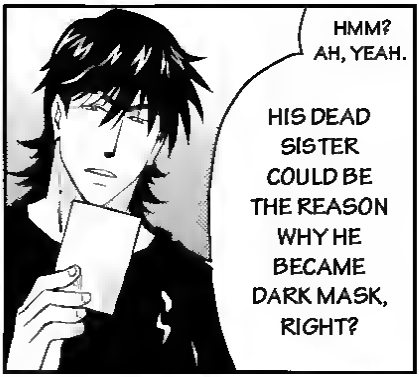
I SEE, NOW.
HE MUST'VE SEEN HIS PAST IN THOSE SIBLINGS. THAT'S WHY HE SAVED THEM.


HMM? AH, YEAH.
HIS DEAD SISTER COULD BE THE REASON WHY HE BECAME DARK MASK, RIGHT?

LITTLE SISTER, HUH...?

SAY...
WHAT'S UP? WHY'RE YOU JUST STARING AT MY FACE?
HMN?
...GOU'S MEMORY REALLY IS COMPLETELY GONE.
WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU LOST SOMEONE IMPORTANT TO YOU, LIKE PROFESSOR MATSUZAKA DID?
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...WOULD YOU STILL WANT YOUR MEMORY BACK?
HYPOTHETICALLY SPEAKING.
IF THAT WAS LOCKED IN YOUR MIND...
WHAT?

...I DON'T REALLY KNOW.

I COULD BE SURROUNDED BY HATE AND BECOME SOME ONE LIKE DARK MASK, TOO.

I WON'T BE ABLE TO HAVE COMPLETE FAITH IN MYSELF.
...NOT RIGHT NOW, ANYWAY.
THAT'S WHAT I FEAR ABOUT MY MEMORY RETURNING.
I WANT TO KNOW, BUT I DON'T WANT TO KNOW.

GOU...
ALL RIGHT, THEN.
I'LL MAKE YOU SOME GARLIC CHICKEN LIVERS, SO EAT UP.
YOU'VE DONE ALL THIS DIGGING. AREN'T YOU EXHAUSTED?
WHA?
I BETTER HEAD HOME.
UH...
WAIT A SEC.

THOOM
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WHEN YOU'RE TIRED, YOU NEED ALL THE STAMINA YOU CAN GET!
UH... THANKS.
Airport Terminal 2
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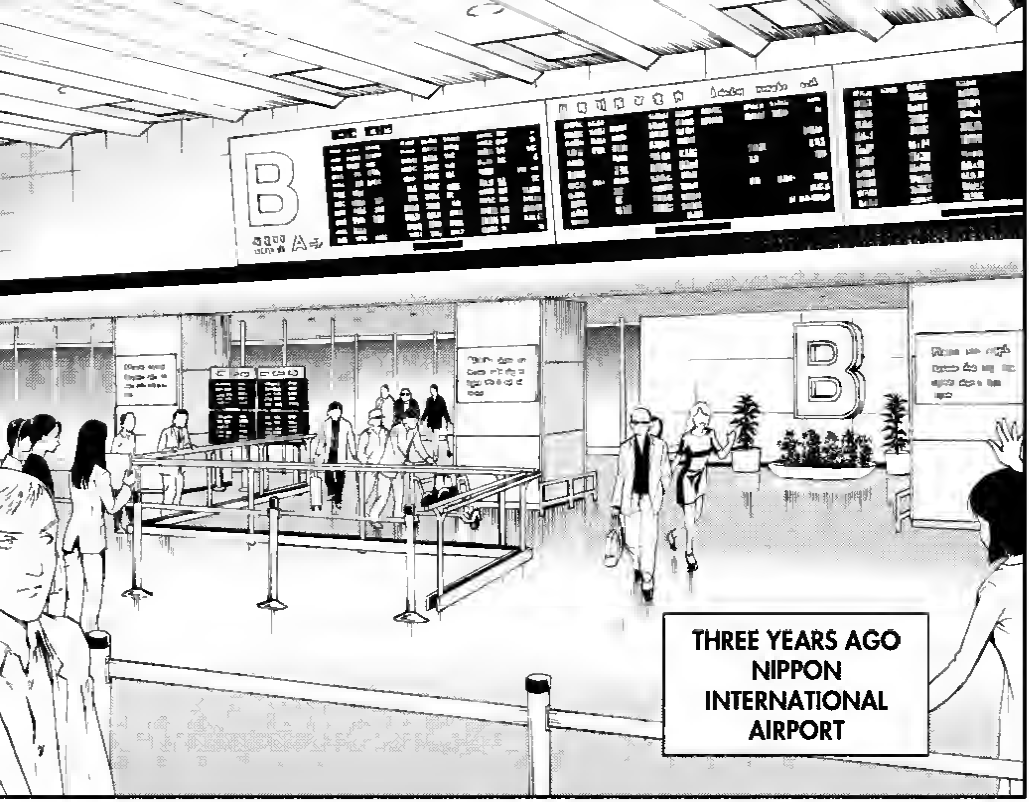
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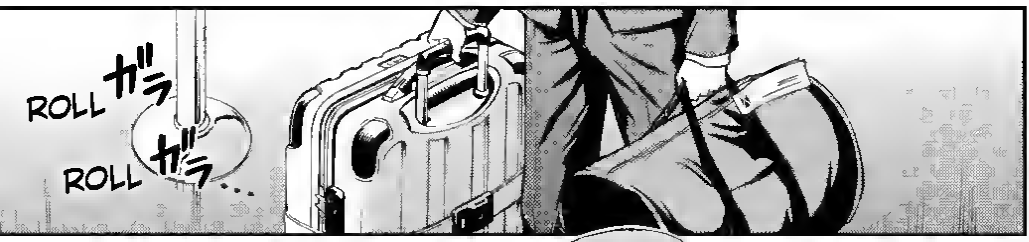
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ROLL ガラ...

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TAK タ

WELCOME BACK!
BIG BROTHER!
YEAH.
I'M BACK.
OVER HERE! MY BROTHER JUST ARRIVED.
HEEEEY, HOLD UP!

OH...
NICE TO MEET YOU.
HIYA... I'M THE BIG BROTHER.
SHE'S TOLD ME SO MUCH ABOUT YOU.
IT SEEMS YOU'RE ALWAYS LOOKING OUT FOR HER.
AHHH... WELL...
MY NAME'S—
FLASH

KABOOOOOM

BOOOM
KABOOOM
RRRRRUMBLE
RRRRUMBLE
GASP...

!!
HEY...!
BIG BRO-THER...
ZLURCH...
RR-GH...
ARE YOU OKAY?!
HANG IN THERE!
SOME-BODY, HELP!
SOME-BODY!

AAAAH!
AAAAH!
GLANCE
ANY-
BODY!
BRO-
THER...
TURN...
I'M
SCARED..
I'M
SCARED..
!
GLANCE
GLANCE
TURN
HELP
ME,
HERE!
SOME-
BODY!
WAIT
HERE! I'LL
CALL FOR
HELP!
GRRR

BUMP
GAH!
GET OUTTA THE WAY!
WHY?!
WHY WON'T ANYBODY HELP?!
AHH...!
THUD

BRO-THER...
HELP...

BRO..THER..
I'LL... YOUR BIG BROTHER WILL DEFI-NITELY PROTECT YOU!
DON'T! HANG IN THERE!

DROP...
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HANG IN THERE..!
H-HEY...
ARE YOU...

HGH...!
SHOOOM...

UAAAAA-
AAAAA-
AHHH!!!
AAAAAA-
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AHHH!!!
LURCH
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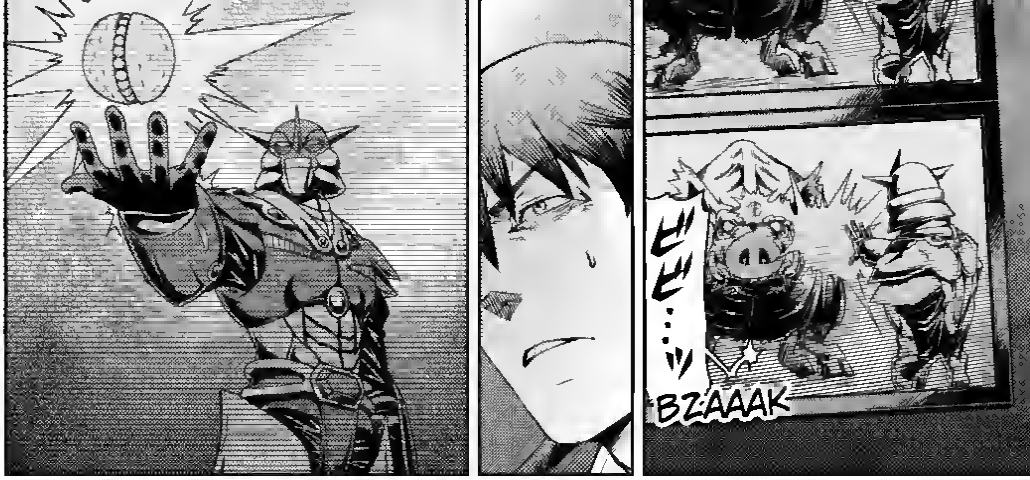
BA-DOOM...

CLENCH
WHIRRR
HA-AH...
HA-AH...
HUFF...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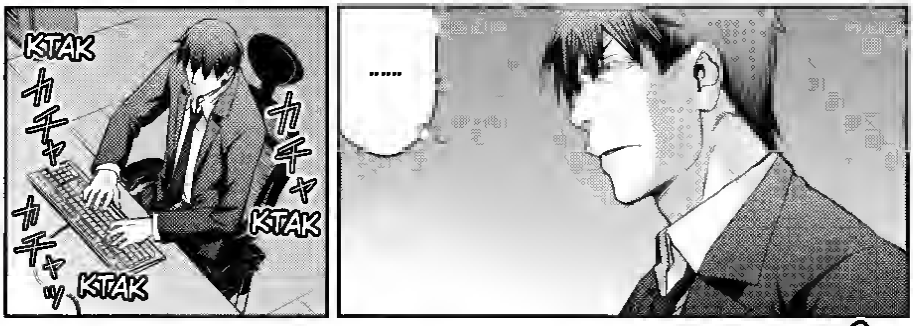
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BLEEP
RRUOAA-
AAAAH!
ビビビビビ
BZZZAAAK

EEEE-
EEEK!
RRUOA-
HOAAA!

.....
TSK!
CREAK...
ACTION MASK...
IT LOOKS LIKE I'M MISTAKEN ABOUT YOU...
I THOUGHT YOU'D JOIN MY SIDE AND WE'D SOW THE SEEDS OF HATRED TOGETHER...
I THOUGHT YOU'D SHARE THE SORROW OF MY SISTER'S DEATH...!
GRIT
GRIT
GRIT
WHY THE HELL ARE YOU ACTING LIKE NOTHING'S WRONG?!

IF THIS IS WHAT YOU'RE LIKE NOW, YOU'RE IN MY WAY.
NEVER MIND.
BA-DUM...
CRAKK
SO I'LL BURY YOU WITH MY OWN TWO HANDS, ACTION MASK...!
DARK MASK'S HATRED NOW TURNS TOWARDS GOU...!